II. Report and Accounts (1984-85) of the Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Madraj and related papers Shri Shivraj Patil: Sir, I also beg to lay on the Table a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

(i) Annual Report of the Institute of Physics, Bhubaneshwar, for the year 1984-85 and the Audit Report thereon.

(ii) Annual Accounts of the Institute of physics Bhubaneshwar, for the year 1984-85 and the Audit Report thereon.

(iii) Statement by Government accepting the papers mentioned at (i) and (ii) above. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT—2209/86 for (i) to (iii)]

II. (i) Annual Report and Accounts of the Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Madras, for the year 1984-85.

(ii) Statement by Government accepting the above Report. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT—2210/86 for (i) and (ii)]

Certified Accounts (1984-85) of the Centre for Environment education, Ahmedabad and related papers.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

(i) Annual Report and Certified Accounts of the Centre fr Envirnment Education, Ahmedabad, for the year 1984-85.

(ii) Review by Government on the working of the Centre.

(iii) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (i) above. [Placed in Library. *See* No LT—2212/86 for (i) to (iii)]

PRESENTATION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES

SHRI K. MOHANAN (Kerala): Sir, I beg to present the Twentyninth Report (in English and Hindi) of the Committee on Government Assurances.

[**Mr. Deputy Chairman** in the Chair]

REFERENCE TO THE POOR SERVICE CONDITIONS OF EXTRA-DEPARTMENTAL POSTAL EMPLOYEES.

PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA (Andhra Pradesh): Sir, I would like to bring to the notice of this House regarding the very pitiable and poor service conditions of the extra-departmental employees of the Postal Department. There are about 3 lakh extra-departmental employees working in about 1,20,000 post officers which serve about 80 per cent of the population. These employees are paid between Rs. 161 and Rs. 270 per month. Even when you apply the calculation of those who are below the poverty line, the minimum amount for a family to sustain itself comes to Rs. 500. If that is the case, when an employee has to work for all the thirty days in a month, that is, daily, for two to five hours daily, and is paid only Rs. 161 to Rs. 270, I think the Government can no longer call itself a model employer. The Government has always been claiming that it is a model employer. The minimum wage that has to be guaranteed to a person working has to be in the order of Rs. 15 to Rs. 20 per day which works out easily to more than Rs. 500 to Rs. 600 a month. On the other hand, these extra-departmental employees have been engaged, as a mentioned earlier, on a paltry sum with the result that they have not been able to make their both ends meet, they have not been able to make a living. It is time, therfore, that the Government thought of making these employees permanent. Some of them have been working as extra-depart mental employees for a long time and if they are continued to be like this, their life becomes very insecure—it is is already insecure—and there will be a lot of frustration among them. There have also been Supreme Court dcisions the recent one of which has been of 17th January